

# New commercial properties changing the landscape throughout the county

**T**he economy is picking up and there's no better indicator than the surplus of construction projects throughout Washtenaw County throughout the past year.

Here is a look at some of the developments which recently opened, and a look at other projects that remain in the construction phase.

## NOW OPENED

**Bravo Cucina Italiana:** Opened in December in the parking lot of Briarwood Mall.

**PF Chang's:** Also opened near the Briarwood Mall in December.

**Ruth's Chris Steakhouse:** The upscale steakhouse, 314 S. 4th Ave., in downtown Ann Arbor, opened in May.

**Salt Spring Brewery:** Opened last month in Saline.

**Subway:** A Subway sandwich shop opened in Saline at 7025 E. Michigan Ave.

**Starbucks:** The first business to open in the Meijer outlots in Scio Township. It will be joined by Verizon Wireless.

**Jerusalem Garden:** Moved into a new space on Liberty Street in April.

**HopCat Ann Arbor:** Opened in the former Borders building on Maynard Street in Ann Arbor earlier this year.

**Pleology:** Also opened last June inside the former Borders building.

**Dos Hermanos:** Opened in May at 301 E. Michigan Ave. in Ypsilanti.

**Lucky's Market:** Opened in February in Ann Arbor after a months long renovation of the former Kroger store.

**Argus Farm Stop:** Opened last August on Liberty Street. The owners recently applied to expand the store.

**Shinola Detroit Ann Arbor:** The high-end bicycle and leather goods producer opened in June.

**Holiday Inn Express:** The Holiday Inn Express in Ann Arbor opened in March on Zeeb Road.

**Wags to Whiskers:** A new retail

building in Chelsea that houses Wags to Whiskers pet store and Verizon Wireless recently opened.

**Chelsea Speedway:** A Speedway gas station was built on the grounds of the former Wolverine Food & Spirits in Chelsea, opening in January.

**Family Dollar:** The first finished development on Ypsilanti's long-vacant Water Street site opened in May.

**Blimpy Burger:** After being closed for more than a year, Krazy Jim's Blimpy Burger re-opened last August.

**The Beer Grotto:** The craft-beer bar opened in January on the corner of Liberty and Ashley in Ann Arbor.

**Belle Tire:** Opened a 10,000-square-foot store in May located just east of the roundabout on State Street and Ellsworth.

**Taylor & Colt:** The barbershop opened its first U.S. location in Ann Arbor earlier this year.

**Elevation Burger:** Opened its second Ann Arbor location in May.

## OPENING SOON

**Hyatt Place:** Hotel on State Street.

**Hampton Inn:** A 99-room hotel on Jackson Avenue in Ann Arbor.

**Residence Inn by Marriott In Ann Arbor:** The 110-room Residence Inn by Marriott downtown.

**Plum Market:** A 25,000-square-foot grocery store on Plymouth Road.

**Busch's Market:** Minor expansion at the store.

**Popeye's Chicken:** Proposed for Ypsilanti Township site.

**Shell Station:** Gas station and drive-thru restaurant in Ann Arbor.

**Stony Lake Brewing:** Scheduled to open in 2015 in Saline.

**Ypsl Ale House:** Aiming to be open later this summer in Ypsilanti.

**Menards:** The opening date of a 242,000-square-foot Menards has been delayed twice.

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